

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation: Pharmacy Aides (31-9095)**

**Associated Occupation: Counter and Rental Clerks (41-2021)**

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 85

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Customer and Personal Service	11.3	12.9	16.6	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
Computers and Electronics	8.4	10.4	12.4	>	Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Sales and Marketing	5.2	10.3	4.5	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Clerical	7.3	8.9	11.9	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 90

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Service Orientation	7.9	10.2	9.2	<	A higher skill level may be required

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## Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 92

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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Oral Expression	12.4	12.3	11.0	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Oral Comprehension	12.5	12.2	11.5	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Speech Recognition	9.9	10.6	11.1	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Speech Clarity	10.2	9.8	10.1	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Comprehension	11.0	9.3	9.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Near Vision	11.1	9.1	11.0	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Number Facility	6.3	7.4	6.5	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required

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## Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 63

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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Provide customer service	14
Use cash registers	70
Use computers to enter, access or retrieve data	3

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 79

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Calculating machines and accessories	3
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Currency vending machines	31
Data management and query software	1

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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